

IN SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

MAY 3, 1848.

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Mr. UNDERWOOD, from the Committee of Claims, made the following

REPORT:

[To accompany bill H. R. No. 65.

*The Committee of Claims, to whom was referred House bill No. 65, for the relief of Charles Reeder, &c., report:*

That, in their opinion, the bill ought to be amended by striking out one hundred dollars, and inserting three hundred dollars in lieu thereof. This amendment is recommended upon the ground that it was expressly stipulated in the appointment that Mr. Reeder was to receive for his services at the rate of three hundred dollars per month. (See page 2, of document, accompanying the bill.) The committee know not why the contract price should be withheld. With this amendment, if there be any reason for reducing the compensation lower than three hundred dollars per month, the bill is so framed that the Secretary of the Navy can act upon it. All which is respectfully submitted.

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